

MOSS POINT

A wedding of interest to friends of the contracting parties here was that of Miss Thelma Maddox and Mr. John D. Wade, Jr., which was solemnized at the Presbyterian manse in Pascagoula Sunday afternoon, Rev. W. P. Chalmers performing the ceremony. The bride is the only daughter of Mrs. Florence Maddox of this city. Mr. Wade, formerly of Vicksburg is now an employee of the Dantzer Ship Co. Mr. and Mrs. Wade enjoyed a short wedding trip to New Orleans and upon their return will make Moss Point their home.

Miss Daisy Delmas enjoyed a week-end visit to relatives in Handsboro and Gulfport.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Cowan spent the forepart of the week in New Orleans.

Washington's birthday was celebrated here by the school children at three different affairs, among them being an all day picnic, which was enjoyed by the members of the 7th, 8th and 9th grades of the Central High School including Misses Alice Walsh, Fannie Cowan, Alpha and Ruth Hunt, Hilda and Ruth Canady, Helen Rollins, Susie Pullman, Robbie Lee Fitzer and Louise Moore, who, because of their excellent work at school, were granted a half holiday Saturday. The jolly crowd of girls, chaperoned by Miss Lulu Barnett, spent the day down by the waters edge near the home of Miss Addie McInnis where they enjoyed games, kodaking and a sumptuous dinner.

In the afternoon Little Misses Mary Elizabeth Ely, Alice Colmer and Edna Whitfield were joint hostess when they entertained a number of their class mates at a George Washington party at the home of Mrs. F. Colmer. Several games including making words out of the name Washington pinning the hatchet on the cherry tree, were enjoyed as was the delicious cream and cake served the little folks by Misses Bessie Byron Borden and Leona Colmer, who also assisted in entertaining.

And the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Bounds was the scene of a delightful affair commemorating the birth of the Father of his country, when their charming young daughter, Miss Adele entertained twelve friends at three tables of Fantan, partners being found by means of small red hatchets and the forfeits were also tiny hatchets. The guests were more forcibly reminded of the day they were celebrating when they were invited into the dining room where the prettily appointed table had for its centerpiece the inevitable cherry tree and hatchet reflecting the motif which was prettily carried out in the salad course, which was temptingly served.

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Sealed proposals will be received by the City Commission, Pascagoula, Mississippi, on or before 1:00 p. m. on TUESDAY THE 11th OF MARCH, 1919, and then publicly opened, for furnishing all materials and constructing certain Sanitary Sewers, Storm Drainage and Street Improvements for the said City of Pascagoula, Mississippi, in accordance with plans and specifications on file in the City Hall at Pascagoula, Mississippi.

The Sanitary Sewer System will consist of vitrified sewer pipe and branches, line structures and disposal work.

The Storm Sewers will consist of vitrified pipe, manholes and catch basins.

The Street Improvement will consist of approximately 6250 cu. yds. of excavation and 26,750 sq. yds. of pavement and include the construction of curb and gutter and storm drain inlets. Bids are asked on various types of pavement.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a certified check for three per cent (3%) of the amount of bid, made payable to Hon. M. L. Valverde, Clerk, Pascagoula, Mississippi, as evidence of good faith.

Specifications, form of proposal, contract and plans may be seen at the office of the Mayor in the City Hall, Pascagoula, Mississippi, and at the office of the Engineer, Xavier A. Kramer, Magnolia, Mississippi.

Plans and specifications, form of proposal and contract will be mailed by the Engineer, upon a deposit of \$25.00 to insure their safe return.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

P. H. LEWIS, Mayor.
XAVIER A. KRAMER, Consulting Engineer, Magnolia, Mississippi.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION.

To vote on the adoption of an ordinance fixing the salary of the Mayor and Councilmen of the City of Pascagoula, Mississippi.

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with a resolution of the City Council of the City of Pascagoula, Miss., adopted at a regular meeting on the 12th day of February, 1919, a special election will be held in said City on the 17th day of March, 1919, for the purpose of voting on the question of approval of an ordinance adopted by said City Council at a regular meeting held on the 12th day of February, 1919, fixing the salary of the Mayor and each of the Councilmen of said City. The polls will be open between the usual hours provided by law for general elections and the polling places shall be at the City Hall and at Fireman's Hall in South Pascagoula.

V. P. DEJEAN,
W. W. WALKER,
F. J. JOHNSON,
Election Commissioners City of Pascagoula, Miss.

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HELPFUL WORDS.

From a Pascagoula Citizen
Is your back lame and painful?
Does it ache especially after exertion?

Is there a soreness in the kidney region?
These symptoms suggest weak kidneys.

If so there is danger in delay.
Weak kidneys get fast weaker.
Give your trouble prompt attention.

Doan's Kidney Pills are for weak kidneys.
Your neighbors use and recommend them.

Read this Pascagoula testimony.
Mrs. Agatha Kenny, S. Pascagoula St., says: "After treating with different remedies for ten months and suffering agony from kidney trouble and lame back, which made it impossible to get up after stooping, I finally took Doan's Kidney Pills. Seven boxes took away every bit of the kidney disorders." (Statement given March 18, 1914.)

On January 3, 1918, Mrs. Kenny said: "I hardly ever need a kidney medicine now, but when I do, I always use Doan's Kidney Pills with the best of results."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Kenny had. Foster-Milburn Co., St. Ignace, Buffalo, N. Y.

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"THE BIGGEST SHOW ON EARTH."

When the motion picture turns up on the show business and presents either a theatrical performance or a circus, it generally gives something almost better than the reality; certainly it is combining forms of entertainment in an original sort of way. Via the screen the spectator sees another variety of showmanship and even the lusty organ or the orchestra may imitate with facility the circus band.

So, in "The Biggest Show on Earth," Enid Bennett's third Paramount picture, the circus reigns; the big top flutters its canvases and flags; the menagerie inhabitants roar—silently—and the clowns ply their time-honored profession. "The Biggest Show on Earth" will be displayed at the Warfield theatre next Thursday.

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SHOWS WHO GETS THE MONEY.

When you eat a beef steak that cost 50 cents a pound, the natural thought is, "Who gets the money?" Distribution of the dollar received from meat products and something of the retailer's charges for the prices which he must charge in order to realize a living profit, are shown in the 1919 Year Book issued by Swift & Company.

The Swift dollar as illustrated gives a graphic description of the money which the packer received in 1918 from sales of beef, pork, and mutton, and their by-products. From the amount left for profit it is stated that federal taxes and interest on borrowed money are not deducted.

"It will be seen from the diagram," says the Year Book, "that during 1918 Swift & Company paid out for live animals 85 per cent of all money received from the sale of meats and by-products, that 12.97 per cent went for expenses of packing, freight to distributing points all over the United States, operation of branch houses, and even delivery to the retailer, and that the profit was 2.03 per cent. Swift & Company would be glad to know of any other system or method of organization of the packing industry which can result in a higher price to livestock raisers and a lower price in the sale of meats."

To analyze our cattle figures still further, we present the following figures which give the average amount paid per head of cattle during 1918 as well as the receipts, expenses and profit.

Average per Head

Paid for live cattle.....\$ 92.70

Received for meat.....\$81.45

Received for by-products.....22.05

Total receipts.....103.51

Amount remaining for expense and profit.....10.81

Expenses.....9.79

Profit (interest not deducted).....1.02

"It will be seen from these figures that the amount received for meat from the steer is less than the amount paid for the live animal. The by-products make up the difference and result in total receipts which are enough to cover expenses and yield a profit. The total expense of \$9.79 consisted of \$3.52 for killing, dressing, etc., \$2.57 for freight, and \$3.70 for selling expenses. The profit amounted to about one-third of a cent per pound of dressed meat, or since only a little over half the animal comes forth as meat after dressing operation, to about one-eighth of a cent per pound of live animal. Even out of this one-eighth of a cent, there should rightfully be deducted a charge for interest on borrowed money."

"These figures mean that if Swift & Company had paid 13 cents per hundredweight for cattle there would have been no profit at all—not even enough to pay interest on the money that we had borrowed in order to carry on our beef operations."

The Year Book says that during twenty-one weeks of the fifty-two in the year, Swift & Company either made no profit at all or suffered an actual loss on sales of beef, and by-products. During two weeks the loss was over one dollar per hundred pounds.

"The retailer is the final stop in the marketing chain," the Year Book continues, "and his operations, as well as the packer's, are frequently misunderstood. In the first place, he has to charge relatively high prices for porterhouse and sirloin, because he gets lower prices for the stewing and boiling cuts."

"These figures must be used with great caution, because they represent only an average quality of meat. During December, 1918, Swift & Company's average selling price of beef carcasses was all the way from 16 cents a pound to over 28 cents a pound; porterhouse steaks from carcasses at these various prices would retail from 35 cents a pound to 60 cents a pound, or even more. The methods of cutting also vary in different localities and for different grades and weights of animals. Retail prices also vary with the quality and character of service rendered to customers in the shape of deliveries, charge accounts, etc."

W.S.S.

Mr. G. H. Sharp of Beuna Vista street, has received the news that his mother, who is now in her ninety-fourth year, had a fall a few days ago and is not expected to recover from the injuries she received; though he has not heard the full particulars. Mrs. Sharp lives seven miles north of Liberty, the county seat of Amite, county, within three miles of where she was born, never having lived anywhere else during her long life.

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The Gulfport news in the Mobile Register of Sunday states that Judge J. H. Neville fell down a stair case and injured himself so badly that he was confined to his bed. This occurred several days ago. Judge D. M. Graham is finishing up the term of Circuit Court here, in place of Judge Neville.

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Lieutenant Harland B. Patton of Senatobia, Miss., spent last Friday and Saturday in this city, visiting his aunt, Mrs. Laura P. Seaton in Live Oak street. Lieutenant has been in Italy for the past year or so, in the Aviation Corps of the United States army, having but recently arrived in America.

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Have you seen my new Auto Hearse? The finest on the gulf coast. Give me your undertaking patronage. J. G. Blackwell.

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THIS TELLS HOW TO FIGURE INCOME TAX

Squarely Up to Every Individual to Get Busy by March 15 or Suffer Penalty.

"Don't wait until the final due date, March 15th, for paying your Income Tax and making your return. Avoid the last minute rush. Any person can figure out his liability today as well as he can next week, and if there is any point on which he needs advice he can now get in touch with a Revenue man."

This word of advice is from John D. McNeel, Collector of Internal Revenue, Birmingham, who is collecting the Income Tax in Alabama and Mississippi. Collector McNeel is giving without charge every aid of his office and his enlarged field force to help the people to get their payments and their returns in by March 15th.

But the Income Tax men will not pull your door-bell or your coat-tails, according to the Collector's announcement. It is squarely up to every individual to figure out his own case and to get busy if he comes within the scope of the new Revenue law.

Did You Earn This Much?

Every unmarried person who received income averaging \$19.25 a week during 1918 and every married couple who jointly received income averaging \$38.50 a week should secure at once from the nearest Deputy Collector or the nearest bank a blank Form 1010 A. That form contains the information he will need to enable him to figure his correct net income and any tax that he owes the Government.

The law requires that every unmarried person who had a net income of \$1,000 or over and every married person whose net income was \$2,000 or over (including the income of husband or wife, and the earnings of minor children, if any) must make a return on or before March 15th. And this requirement does not hinge on whether the person owes a tax.

Taxable Income.

An individual must include under gross income all gains, profits and income derived from salaries, wages, or compensation for personal service of whatever kind and in whatever form paid, or from professions, vocations, business, sales or dealings in property of all kinds, interest, rent, dividends, or profits derived from any source whatever. Very few items of income are exempt.

Deductions include ordinary and necessary business expenses, interest paid or accrued on indebtedness, taxes of all kinds except Federal income and excess profits taxes and assessments for local benefits, losses actually sustained, debts ascertained to be worthless, and depreciation on buildings, machinery, fixtures, etc., used in business. A further deduction is allowed for contributions to corporations operated for religious, charitable, scientific or educational purposes or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals to an amount not exceeding 15 per cent of the taxpayer's net income as computed without the benefit of the contribution deduction.

The taxpayer is not allowed to deduct any personal, living or family expense, any amount spent for improving property, or any expense of restoring property or making good its exhaustion for which an allowance is claimed under depreciation.

Figuring the Tax.

Before figuring the normal tax the dividends are deducted as credits from net income, together with the personal exemption. As in previous years, dividends of domestic corporations are exempt from normal tax when received by the stockholder.

The normal tax rates for citizens and residents are as follows: On the first \$4,000 of net income in excess of the credits the rate is 6 per cent; on any further taxable income the rate is 12 per cent.

The surtax rates apply to net income of each individual in excess of \$5,000. The personal exemption and the dividends are not deductible before computing surtax. In the case of returns by husband and wife, the net income of each is considered separately in computing any surtax that may be due. Form 1010 should be used for making returns of net income exceeding \$5,000, and the instructions on that form will show how to figure the surtax.

Business House Returns.

Employers and others who paid wages, salaries, rents, interest or similar determinable gains in an amount of \$1,000 or over during 1918 to any person must file an information return with the Government. Blanks may be secured from the Collector.

Every partnership must file a return showing its income and deductions and the name and address of each partner, with his share of the profits or losses during the past year. Personal service corporations will file similar information for 1918.

INCOME TAX PAYS FOR PUBLIC BENEFITS.

"Viewed in its largest and truest sense, the payment of taxes is payment for benefits received or expected. Only from a narrow and essentially selfish and shortsighted viewpoint can the individual propose to himself the evasion of tax liability as a desirable course of action."

—Daniel C. Roper, Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

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